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TO: Neighborhood Committee

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RE: Amendments to the Highland Village Special District Sign Plan

Background:

The Highland Village Special District Sign Plan was drafted by the Highland Village Planning Committee and adopted by the City Council in 1986. It applies to the area shown on Attachment A. In February, 2011 the Highland District Council requested review of the Highland Village Special District Sign Plan. At the same time, the Highland Business Association recommended that signs with dynamic display be prohibited within the sign district, and the Highland District Council supported this recommendation.

Section 64.750 of the Zoning Code establishes the Highland Village Special District Sign Plan and refers to sign plan provisions in C.F. NO. 86-1451. If the provisions and regulations in the sign plan are changed by a new City Council resolution, this reference in the Zoning Code text would need to be amended. Section 61.801(b) of the Zoning Code authorizes the Planning Commission to initiate amendments to the Zoning Code. Section 64.601, special district sign plan, of the Zoning Code requires a Planning Commission public hearing, review and recommendation on sign plan amendments.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the Planning Commission initiate a study to consider updating and amending the Highland Village Special District Sign Plan.

